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# Lane Splits Removed in Orem

LEHI, Utah (Nov. 14, 2011) — UDOT is scheduled to remove the lane split on southbound I-15 in Orem and open a new ramp at the Spanish Fork interchange this week. Crews are also scheduled to reopen the Provo Center Street interchange before Thanksgiving.

The following is a brief description of upcoming significant activities on I-15CORE (all weather permitting):

### New traffic signal and new ramp location at U.S. 6 interchange in Spanish Fork

Crews will activate a new traffic signal on the southbound off-ramp from I-15 to east bound U.S. 6 in Spanish Fork as early as Friday, Nov. 18. Signs and flashing lights have been installed on the ramp to alert drivers exiting southbound I-15 of thenew signal. The southbound on-ramp from U.S. 6 to I-15 is also moving to a new location at the interchange.

Drivers heading onto southbound I-15 will access the new on-ramp by crossing the new U.S. 6 bridge and turning left at the new traffic signal. This new configuration eliminates the old looping southbound on-ramp and will make it easier for drivers to merge onto I-15 from U.S. 6.

To accommodate activation of the new signal, workers are scheduled to close the off-ramp froms outhbound I-15 to U.S. 6, as well as the on-ramp from U.S. 6 to southboundI-15. The ramps will be closed beginning as early as 9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, and will reopen by 5:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 18.

#### Lane split removed in Orem

As early as the morning of Nov. 18, crews are scheduled to remove the lane split on southbound I-15 in Orem. The lane split allowed workers to place new concrete pavement between the lanes. Crews plan to have the majority of the project shifted onto new 40-year concrete by the end of this year.

#### Center Street interchange to reopen in Provo

The Provo Center Street interchange is scheduled to reopen before Thanksgiving. Crews are completing concrete paving at the interchange.

UDOT encourages drivers to stay informed about the latest I-15 CORE construction by signing up for regular email updates, becoming a fan of I-15 CORE on Facebook or Twitter, or subscribing to the I-15 CORE text service by texting "i15" to 53535. For more information, visit udot.utah.gov/i15core.

The 24-mile I-15 CORE freeway reconstruction project is on schedule for completion in December 2012.

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